

## **Dreaming of the National League**

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Aston Middletown Little League, or AMLL, is where I play baseball. The fields are located on Pennell Road in Aston. Down at AMLL, there are three fields and a creek where I fish. AMLL built a new field at Indian Lane, too. My mom is the Player Agent. She helps get everything running. My dad is the Tournament Director now and is going to coach my team.

AMLL try-outs have just recently been done at West Chester AllStar Baseball Academy. The first try-out was for players in the first half of the alphabet and the second try-out was for the second half of the alphabet. Players bat, run, throw and field balls. I felt great trying out on the first night. Coaches write down numbers to rate the players. I think I did pretty well.

Last year, I played in the American League, and this year, I tried out for the National League. In the American League, you play six innings. The first three are machine-pitch, and the last three are kid-pitch. In the National League, all six innings are kid-pitch. After playing for three years in the American League, I feel ready for the higher skill level of the National League. I hope the coaches agree